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Midsummer days not only office the perfection and glory of summer in fruitage and flower. They also bring the time when out-of-door living becomes a joy, when walking, driving, goling, beating, hunting, fishing and camping out appeal with double force to the devotees of leisure and pleasure.

House parties and camping out parties have been enjoyed with more than their usual zest this season. Given the ideal Virginia host and hostess for such forms of entertainment and the measure of unusement and good comradeship, they afford to those brought together in such a way can scarcely be estimated. It must be experienced for the full flavor to be described. So it is, that the story of one such midsummer celebration, just given by Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson Brown, of Bedford country, is left to be told for the society columns of The Times-Dispatch by a young Richmond girl who accompanied the party. How well the telling is done may be seen from the following account of the camping party:

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After a big house party, lasting a week, at their home, "Ivy Cliff," in Bedford county, near Brierfield, Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson Brown took their guess "camping" up on the James River, on the Amherst side, above Big Island.

Their camp was most unique, as they used with the two large tents a most picturesque old log cabin, kindly placed at their disposal by Mr. Sadler, of Theresa, upon whose property the camp was located.

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The site was directly on the river, and rowing, fishing and swimming were enjoyed to the fullest extent.

At night great log fires prompted the telling of gruesome tales and cast long pictures of the hobgoblins about the white tents, and carious monsters against the clouds, besides supplementing the light of the moon for games of shumtum-a-loo, farmer-in-the-dell, and drop-the-handkerchief, generally finished off by the dear old Virginia reel.

At meal time they gather around a long picnic table and enjoy the novelty of the camp food prepared by the two colored servants, Martha and Henry, and eaten from the cups and pie plates.

The young ladies of he party adopted the uniform of white sweaters and large farm hats trimmed with bright bandana handkerchiefs, which also looked very pretty tied around their throats. The young men were similarly costumed and their boats on the water or gathered together in some shady mountain hollow.

The weather, though warm, was perfest and the week at camp a great success, omitting a most alarming experience at the very first. It seems a party consisting of Misses Alkins, Minor and Lathrop, of Richmond, and Miss Patton of Blacksburg, with Messrs, Purviance and Frazier Tams, of Staunton, and Thompson and Donaldson Erown, of Baltimore, had started for a monilish trip down the river about sundown.

They took two boats and had gotten some miles down stream, when they were caught in some very swift rapids. The boats were tossed and whirled around until the young gentleman had to get out finto the water nearly up to their necks

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danger.

Mr. Purviance Tams had lacerated his hands the previous day in an athletic exhibition, which consisted in crossing a chasm, about seventy-five feet wide, hand-over-hand, upon a wire rope stretched from the top of a derrick, and he tore them again severely and suffered much loss of blood. Fortunately no serious damage resulted as a trip to a physician in Lynchburg the next day soon put him in good shape.



MISS MARGIE LOGAN.

Miss Margie Logan, the elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Logan, is one of the prettiest and most charming young girls in Salem (Va.) society. Miss Logan has sparkling blue eyes and a crowning wealth of chestnut hair. Her beauty, grace of manner and lovely disposition make her a favorite wherever she visits. Old Virgina hospitality is dispensed open-handed at the suburban residence of her parents, which is quite a popular resort for the young people.

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Most alarming for the time being was the experience of Mr. Donaldson Brown, who was swept under the boats at one place, He stayed under quite a while and great alarm was felt lest he had drowned, but he came up after what seemed a very long time and the rapids were passed with no further incident and no daming beyond some very wet clothes;

About 10 o'clock the party came back to camp and reported their most thrilling adventure.

Apply one rainy night kept the campers in the long room of their log house. They converted this room into an anuscement hall and spent a most delightful evening playing progressive high five. Very probably there never was quite such a card party.

Hanging from long fishing rods were the lanterns to light the rude room, and the cards were played on long plank tables leaving the fact of the cards were played on long plank tables leaving to the fact of the large property and situated immediately of the light and freedean and shipped to the Richmond Tredegar and

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Mrs. John Thompson Brown and Miss Alexander got the two ladies' first prizes, and Messrs, Moneure and Donaldson Brown the gentlemen's souventrs, Mr. Purviance Tams drew a large straw mat as a "booby" and was told to "Go 'Way Back and Sit Down." Mr. Wilcox Brown got a very gaudy pair of hose as the "foot" prize, and Mr. Thompson Brown, of Baltimore, received a package of cigarettes and a box of matches to "smoke up."

Misses Lathrop and Patton, too, received "foot" prizes and Miss Flesher was given a bunch of curl papers as a "consolation," that she might have a head prize anyway.

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Mrs. Emily Glasgow Houston was the delightful hostess of the Stay-at-Home Whist Club on Monday evening last.

Five tables engaged, those playing being Mrs. Houston, Mrs. C. W. P. Brock, Mrs. Bland Spotswood Smith, Mrs. S. W. Travers, Mrs. James E. Cannon, Mrs. Corydon Sutton, Mrs. W. K. Martin, Mrs. A. M. Tyler, Miss Mary Elizabeth Moore, Miss Ruifin, Miss Florence Tyler, Miss Lou Leigh, the Missee Harvie, Miss Mattle Harris, Mr. T. L. Moore, Mr. John Tyler and alr. James Harvie.

Duplicate whist occupied the contestants, the game being managed by Mr. T. L. Moore, and the highest scores being made by Mrs. C. W. P. Brock and Mr. James Harvie. Delicious punch and cake were served on the tables at the conclusion of the game. Guests who lingered for a few minutes' chat with Mrs. Houston had the pleasure of seeing beautiful jettures, recently sent from London, England, of Mr. Arthur Glasgow, his wife and little daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Glasgow were in full court costumes, their photographs showing them as they appeared at the drawing-room, where Mrs. Glasgow was presented. Her gown was of white lace, with immense train. Her flowers were white orchids and maldenhair ferns, and she wore white ostrich plumes in her hair, and a necklace with superb diamond pendants. Mrs. Glasgow, hefore her marriage, was the beautiful Miss Mary Elizabeth Moore, on West

The Stay-at-Home Club will meet again with Miss Mary Elizabeth Moore, on West Franklin Street, to-morrow evening.

Party at Virginia Beach, The Dodson Cottage is one of the most emplete at Virginia Beach. It has been aken for the season by Mr. R. W. Tugie, of Elackstone, who is giving a house arry there to his family and a number of his friends.

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The enjoyment of the party can be better imagined than described, as each week brings renewed pleasures in boating, fishing and awimming, and new faces give fresh zest to social intercourse and acquaintance. Those who are enjoying the hespitality of Mr. and Mrs. Tuggle are Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Thornton, Mr. and Mrs. Chiles M. Ferrall, Mr. R. A.

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OLD TIMES

Letter of Reminiscences of Other Days.

GALAXY OF BRIGHT STARS

Men Who Gathered at the Old Resor In Days Following the War-Bright in Conversation and In

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
OLD SWEET SPRINGS, W. VA., July 25 .- In the ever varying firmanent of "Old Sweet," society gleams a radiant galaxy of stars, who are sustaining the well known prestige of this old Virginia place for its delightful social life. Each State contributes its separate and distinctive flower to the parterre of feminine loveliness that lends such a charm to life at "the Sweet"-the lily, the rose, the carnation-fusing into a harmonious whole nation—fusing into a harmonious whole and blending into a flower garden of American beauties. For generations southern women have reigned in the world's society as rivals of the crowned and corneted heauties. They possess a certain indefinable, high-born dignity and proud reserve with a slow, sweet grace of speech and manner, which has been handed down to them through generations, together with exceptional physical beauty. In profile or medeling of cheek and chin, nose and foot, or in repose and dignity of bearing, she is indubitably aristocratic.

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There is a coterie of well-born society leaders here who have been transplanted from southern soil to the northern cities, Mrs. Carl Heisen, of Chicago, was Ida Waddill, of Louisiana, and educated at the old Virginia (Episcopal) Female Institute, in Staunton, She and her beautiful sister. Nora Waddill, now Mrs. Catchings, of New York, were supreme at the old Montgomery White Sulphur in the seventies, when Winnie Davis, Jubal Early, Jefferson Davis, Beauregard, Bishop Wilmer, Admiral Semmes and other noted southerners and their families formed a summer society as delightful as that which adorned the British metropolis in the golden age of Scott, Moore, Coleridge, Southey and Leigh Hunt. It was then that the New York Herald remarked that the Montgomery White wils the resort that the New York Herald remarked that the Montgomery White was the resort of the unreconstructed rebels. Mrs. Helsen has commanding features—grand and classic in repose and is a type of the Latin mould, resembling the high-bred Spanish woman and recalls Byron's eloquent poem, in which he gives the "Ladies of Cadiz" the palm of beauty over the English blondes. She married a wealthy Prusslan, (who is a personal friend of the Emperor), and has spent three years abroad in Berlin, Paris, and the European capitals.

Miss Myrtle Helsen, her daughter, is tall and stylish, with a figure absolutely faut-

and stylish, with a figure absolutely fau't-less in its graceful proportions. Her cos-tume worn in the ball-room last night was a poetic inspiration in exquisite tints, happily designed to heighten the rare and aristocratic loveliness of a very beautiful

aristocratic loveliness of a very beautiful girl.

Miss Mary Heisen is a sweet sixteen debutante, and has the charm of retreat which all me nadmire. Her manner has stately grace, which recalls Tennyson's exquisite heroine, Maud.

Mrs. H. B. Lockwood, of New York, was a southern girl from Baltimore, and for pure classic beauty of features, has a chapter to herself. She has literary taste and culture, and her ready wit and repartee sparkle like the wine of the Gaudalquiver, She charms by her spontaneity and her enthusiasm is infectious. tanelty and her enthusiasm is infectious. Expression, pathos, sweetness, ecstacy, all sweep over her countenance like swift cloud shadows that chase each other a summer's day over the crest of the blue-robed mountain or the vernal mead-

a summer's day over the crest of the blue-robed mountain or the vernal meadows of the Sweet Springs valley. Her presence dispels ennui and her spirits are over at "concert pitch."

A KENTUCY DAME.

Mrs. John M. Patterson, of Louisville, descends from Virginia ancestry—the Harrises, of New Kent—and her soft, sweet manners are the genuine expression of a refined and cultivated taste. Her husband is an accomplished scholar and principal of one of the most popular private schools of Louisville. With a fund of book knowledge and learning, he is familiar with the beauties of English literature from Milton to the lighter graces of Scott and Goldsmith. Mrs. J. M. Browne, of Louisville, we Ferguson, of Virginia, is a popular society leader here. She is as regal as an Eastern princess, with jet black hair and lustrons brown eyes. But above all her crowning glory is the sweetest disposition and an unselfish apirit, woman's noblest acquisitions, without which whetever other affits and without which whatever other affts and graces she may possess, they will be but the outward glitter of the casket, within which we search in vain for the "pearl of great great".

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Miss Myrta Lockett Avary, of New York, well known in the literary world, is a pleasant addition to this social realm. She is a remarkably clever woman, and her pen has graced the columns of leading papers and periodicals.

Mrs. Charles Davenport, of Richmond, is one of the gems in the social casket. Lunching with Mr. Allen Caperton, a son of the late United States Senator Allen T. Caperton, of West Virginia, and who was also a member of the secession convention, the topic turned upon the career of Oliver Beirne and some of the distinguished Virginians with whom he was connected. Mr. Caperton, is much like his honored father, and has the fine face, strong features and courtly manners typical of the old-school Virginian in the palmy days. Oliver Beirne's eldest daugh, ter. Bettle, married William Porcher Miles, of South Carollina, who was chairman of the Military Cormittee of the Confederate Congress, and was a member of the Federal Congress at the outbreak of the Civil War. He and Hunter and Mason, the Virginia Senators, and Musee Russell Hunter Carnett were messmates and kept house together in Washington. In the olden times it was the fashion for several congenial Congressment to form a mess and keep house together in Washington. In conversation with former Senator James A. Pugh, of Alabama, the other day in Washington, he said it was often this pleasure to dine with these old Virginia statesmen at their mess, and in referring to M. R. Hunter Garnett. Senator Pugh guoted from Mr. Perkins' (member from Loulsana) eulogy of Garnett in the Viouse, in which, he said; "Whenever he addressed the House together masser of elonence and rhetoric, and one of the brichtest stars that ever anneared in the pridical firmament of Old Vireinia. THE LAST DAYS.

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Wind-up Sale

Ladies' Summer Wear.

The practical slaughtering of prices is extended to all departments—we do not intend to carry any summer goods over. In some cases the styles are lumped together to make the range in sizes; in others all sizes can be found in each style, but wherever you look among our vast stock the same radical effort to close outpromptly is shown in

Here are a few specimens of many lines, and those you do not see advertised are as greatly reduced.

Silk Shirt=Waist Suits Below Cost.

Separate Skirts Underprised

At \$3.98 Dress Skirt of Good Quality Black or Blue Etamine, trimmed round hips and at foot with two taffeta bands, panel front. A very excellent \$3.98 Skirt, worth \$5.00; special at......

At \$5.00 Walking Skirt in Gray Tan and Green All-Wool Crash, in two or three styles, of fancy hip trimming, ninegored flare, overlapped seams and stitched at foot. A very excellent Skirt for country or seashore wear, a regular \$6.75 value; \$5.00

White Shirt Waists Sensationaly Priced

A manufacturer's stek in our hands for want of ready cash is plaed before our customers at prices below the mker's cost.

Corded Muslin Waiss, trimmed in 38c large white buttons, 62c value, now....38c

Sheer Lawn Waists, teked and hemstitched back and front, \$.00 value, now 69c

High Grade Lawn Wasts, with broad 98c bias tucks across front, \$1:0 value, now.

Ribbon Millinery. If your wants haven't been supplied Specials in Summer Trimmed Hats we are pre-

popular fancies:

mull and pompon.

The popularity of our Ribbons, both for millinery and dress trimming purposes, lies in the fact that we sell guaranteed qualities by the best makers, and thus can give handsomer shades, better wear and greater satis-

At 25c Best quality Satin Taffeta, 5½ inches wide, in all colors and white, regular value 38c.

At 19c Satin Taffe-ta, extra quality, 4½ inches wide, all colors and white, regular value 25c.

White Tuelle Hats, trimmed in white ribbon and aigrettes.

pared to execute orders for the extreme

styles suitable for the seashore and

mountains. The following are the

White Pique Hats, trimmed in white

White Felt, military shapes, with regulation strap trimming.

The Parasol Mark-Down

Our trade this summer in the fine grades of Parasols was remarkable, but we had a few of the best designs left over. They have all been reduced in price and make an opportunity for some few to acquire the finest grade and extreme styles at the price of the poorer styles.

At \$6.98 White Taffeta, trimmed in ruffles of white chiffon, handsome handle; former price \$9.00.

At 9c All-Silk Taffeta Ribbon, also Fancy Brocade, 3d At \$3.98 Black Chiffon, with white pin dots, black chiffon ruffles; former price \$6.00.

also Fancy Brocade, $3\frac{1}{2}$ At \$2.95 Black and White Striped inches wide, in white and colors ranges with the striped Taffeta, two-spool silk colors, regular value 15c. ruffles of white; former price \$4.50.

Ling Glove

News

Proide yourself while the sick is complete; remembr the difficulty of last yar, the long wait you hd for the right Glove. We have the "Kayse" the best made and met sought after.

At 50c "Kayser" Silk Gloves, 12, 16 and 20-button length, lack or white.

At 62 "Kayser," twenty button lengt, black or

At 95¢ Kayser," finest qualitysilk, black

or white. Lace Mitts black or white, elbow legth,

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with the members of Congress, and there are old citizens in Richmond to-day who will remember that Tom Griffin and his wife understood the cutinary art to a queen's taste. The best planters in the State would apprentice their young slaves to Tom and his wife to be taught the state would apprentice their young slaves to Tom and his wife to be taught the state of cooking "to a turn," as they could not learn it to such perfection elsewhere. Speaking of the days of Confederate blockade and scant rations in Richmond, it remember that a guest at the old Spotswood Hotel in 1844 asked the watter what the coffee, with which he had just served him, was made of. The darkey replied, "Half taters, half ryes and half meal, ash." These were the best substitutes for coffee, potatocs, rye and meal. A few people who were fortunate enough to afford luxiries (?) used half coffee, not afford huxiries (?) used half coffee, potatocs, rye and meal. A few people who were fortunate enough to afford luxiries (?) used half coffee and half potatoes parched together. But pardon the digression of the Galt House, Louisville, in Sprivate car, and accompanied the gettine. The winter was with General configuration of Index and the full of the chair in which his great grandfather sat when he signed the Declaration of Index handed the eligression of the Galt House, Louisville, in the Sprivate car, and accompanied the long and but the sudden death of Oliver Belrice on his sad mission to bring the foreign his summer paramater of the secession convention, nhow and the full after the property has recently which may all been judy and Turkisi argument and the full after the property has a first the property has a first the property has a form of the United States Senator), who may ried Tomilin Braxton, of King William A. Anderson, if the United States Senator), who may ried Tomilin Braxton, of King William A. Anderson may all been judy and Turkisi and the feet in his memorable speech noming and town may all been judy and turkis in gand failing the locat boy fourteen years old applied to daily for work. Old Mr. Beirne took him in to open store in the morning, make up the fire and sweep up the floor. This poor boy was the wealthy Burnside, who afterward established the house of Beirne & Burnside, in New Orleans, and who bought for a million dellars, after the war, the fine estate in Louisiana of Ganeral John S. Preston, of South Carolina. Burnside left several million dellars to Oliver Leirne in appreciation of the opportunity afforded him by Oliver's father to get a start in life.

Pity to have severed old Monroe from the body of Old Virginia, with her proud traditions find illustrious dead, whose glorious deeds will forever answer in the firmament of fame to the names of Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe (for whom this county was named), Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson, Monroe was the home of the Lewises, Canertons, Chapmens, Beirnes and Lecholes, and has a true and loyal history. ty, who owned the Old Sweet Springs and built the beautiful brick hotels and cottages that adorn this summer paradise, as lovely as an English park. Mr. Beirne himself married a sister of the late United States Senator Allen T. Caperton, and of Mrs. James Preston, of Montgomery county, who sold her beautiful home, "Whitethorn," at Elacksburg, to Cautain Stockton Heth, of Radford, for \$50,000. Mrs. Preston's husband was a brother of the late Hon William Ballard Preston, Taylor's Secretary of the Navy, who was the father of Mrs. A. L. Boulware, of Richmond, and of Mrs. William R. Beele, of Buchanan, Virgin's accomplished representative at the Columbian Exposition, a brilliant woman and an uncrowned queen by right of every social realm.

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AT ROCKBRIDGE BATHS

Many Guests at this Rehabilitated Rock-

bridge Resort.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LEXINGTON, VA., July 25.—The Rockbridge Baths, twelve miles northwest of
Lexington, is one of the delightful summer resorts of Rockbridge county. Six

members of Congress, and there youngest daughter of Andrew Beirne, a uated on the sloping, verdant bass of citizens in Richmond to-day who brother of Oliver.





ANNUAL SALE, TEN MILLION BOXES



Dr. Hopkins was recently elected a member of the medical staff of the Western | State Hospital at Staunton